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**Reference: Please submit to
Board by _____**

REFERENCE FORM**MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A COPY OF COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION AND LICENSURE****TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT****APPLICANT** _____ **for** Registered Geophysicist**ADDRESS** _____**TELEPHONE NO.** _____**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REFERENCE**

Your name has been submitted as an individual who is familiar with the work of the above named applicant who has filed an application for registration/certification with the Board. The Board is interested in determining if the above named applicant has qualifying experience for the examination. Return of this form by the date above, filled out completely, will expedite the application process.

I am a: Geologist Geophysicist Engineering Geologist
 Hydrogeologist Civil Engineer Petroleum Engineer
 Other _____

LICENSE NO. _____ **STATE** _____ **DATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE** _____

(If you are not licensed in California, you must submit documentation including references to the satisfaction of the Board, that you are a qualified geologist. Hydrogeology references must have five or more years of hydrogeology experience in a responsible position.)

RELATIONSHIP TO THE APPLICANT:

RELATIONSHIP	LENGTH OF RELATIONSHIP	APPLICANT'S EMPLOYER
Employer Supervisor Other _____	From To	

"Professional geophysical work" is work performed at a professional level rather than at a subprofessional or apprentice level and requires the application of scientific knowledge, principles and methods to geophysical problems through the exercise of individual initiative and judgment in investigating, measuring, interpreting and reporting on the physical phenomena of the earth. Implicit in this definition is the recognition of professional responsibility and integrity and the acknowledgement of minimal supervision.

"Professional geophysical work" specifically does not include activities wherein the analysis or interpretation of geophysical or geological information is lacking. Such nonprofessional work could encompass party or crew chief and would encompass lesser forms of employment in field parties, the manufacture, assembly or maintenance and repair of geophysical instruments and equipment, computer programming, data processing or retrieval and routine activities normally performed by a technician in acquiring and reporting on geophysical information where the elements of

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initiative, scientific judgment and decision making are absent. It also does not include those engineering disciplines and other physical sciences wherein geophysical and geological investigation, analysis and interpretation are minimal or lacking.

“Responsible position” means a position whereby a person having individual control and direction of a geophysical project exercises individual initiative, skill and judgment in the investigation and interpretation of geophysical features, or the supervision of such projects. An individual can be considered to be in responsible position even though not registered and working as a subordinate employee to a registered or qualified geophysicist.

I have personal knowledge of the applicant’s experience as a geophysicist. YES NO (circle one)

Approximate percentage of time that the applicant spent in a responsible position as defined above as a:

Geophysicist _____% **Average number of hours applicant worked per week:** _____

Approximate percentage of time applicant spent on tasks specifically excluded from “professional geophysical work” (See front for definition of “professional geophysical work”): _____%

Describe work performed, projects worked on and quality of work. (Use additional sheets if necessary)

During the time listed, did the applicant exercise individual initiative, skill and judgment as a geophysicist?
YES NO (circle one)

Please refer to the application to answer the following: (A copy of the application must be provided. If a copy is not provided, please contact the applicant)

Does the application correctly represent the applicant’s experience, qualifications, positions and level of responsibility during the time listed on this reference form? YES NO (circle one)

Is the applicant capable of independently completing geophysical investigations that require the correct interpretation of geophysical features? YES NO (circle one)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information on this reference form is true and correct.

Signature _____ **Name** (typed or printed) _____

Date _____ **Present Employer** _____ **Position** _____

Address _____ **Telephone No.** _____

Please return this form and the copy of application for examination and licensure directly to the Board at the address on the front.